

AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

1. to 26. (Cancelled)

27. (New) An information processing apparatus comprising:
display means for displaying a first device and a second device;
indication means for indicating the first device and the second device
displayed by said display means;
specifying means for specifying an image formation process to be executed
by a set of the first device and the second device indicated by said indication means; and
obtaining means for obtaining the number of executions of the image
formation process specified by said specifying means.

28. (New) An apparatus according to claim 27, wherein
said display means displays the first device and the second device by using
icons, and
said obtaining means obtains the number of executions of the image
formation process specified by said specifying means, in response to that said indication
means selects and indicates the first device and the second device.

29. (New) An apparatus according to claim 28, wherein in said
indication means the first device and the second device are selected by executing a drag-
and-drop process to the displayed icon.

30. (New) An apparatus according to claim 27, wherein the first device is an image output device, the second device is an image input device, and the image formation process specified by said specifying means is an image copying process.

31. (New) An information processing method comprising:
a display step of displaying a first device and a second device;
an indication step of indicating the first device and the second device displayed in said display step;
a specifying step of specifying an image formation process to be executed by a set of the first device and the second device indicated in said indication step; and
an obtaining step of obtaining the number of executions of the image formation process specified in said specifying step.

32. (New) A method according to claim 31, wherein
in said display step, the first device and the second device are displayed by using icons, and
in said obtaining step, the number of executions of the image formation process specified in said specifying step is obtained in response to that the first device and the second device are selected and indicated in said indication step.

33. (New) A method according to claim 32, wherein in said indication step the first device and the second device are selected by executing a drag-and-drop process to the displayed icon.

34. (New) A method according to claim 31, wherein the first device is an image output device, the second device is an image input device, and the image formation process specified in said specifying step is an image copying process.

35. (New) A computer-readable storage medium which stores a program to execute an information processing method comprising:

a display step of displaying a first device and a second device;

an indication step of indicating the first device and the second device displayed in said display step;

a specifying step of specifying an image formation process to be executed by a set of the first device and the second device indicated in said indication step; and

an obtaining step of obtaining the number of executions of the image formation process specified in said specifying step.